Home Agent's Notes

By Mrs. B. G. Anderson

Appomattox Home Agent

National Home Demonstration Week will be observed May 1-7, 1955. Theme: "Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World."

Representatives from the 17 Home Demonstration Clubs in the county are planning to attend District III Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs meeting at Halifax on Wednesday, April 27. District III is composed of the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Campbell, Charoltte, Halifax, Pittsylvania, and Prince Edward.

Lats year approximately 600 women from the seven counties attended the district meeting, which was held here.

Members planning to attend and leaving from my office please be here ready to leave at 8:00 A. M. Registration begins at 9:30 A. M., and the program wil start pormptly at 10:00 A. M. A very interesting program has been planned. Mrs. F. F. Carr, President of the Virginia Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, will be on the program. Miss Iris Davenport, Editor, Southern Agriculturist, will speak. From Appomattox County, Mrs. R. K. Martin, County Chairman, will make the county report. Mrs. John C. Cole, County Treasurer of Home Demonstration Clubs, will present "Pennies for Friendship," and Mrs. C. G. O'Brien will read a poem as part of this ceremony. Mrs. E. Carter Martin is acting Secretary for District III meeting.

We are happy to have Appomattox County so well represented on the program.

Any club member desiring transportation to Halifax April 27 for the meeting, please get in touch with me. We are very anxious to have Appomattox County well represented at this meeting.

Watch for other plans of Appomattox clubs for National H. D. Week.

Truman lashes out at foreign policy of Eisenhower Administration.

Spring Celebration to Begin at Williamsburg

Williamsburg, Va.- A six weeks celebration starting here May 15 and known as the "Prelude to Independence" is the top activity of the spring season in this historic city.

The "Prelude to Independence" continues until July 4th and commemorates the tense days of that same period in 1776 when the Declaration of Independence was in the making. Special celebrations will mark the anniversary on May 15 of the Virginia Resolution for Independence unanmiously adopted in the Wiliamsburg Capitol building and directly resulting in the Declaration of Independence. In past years the anniversary has been marked here by President Eisenhower, John Foster Dulles, and other distinguished speakers along with colorful pageantry, including the raising of the Continental Flag, America's first national colors, over the Capitol as it was done on May 15, 1776.

During the six weeks of the "Prelude to Independence" the Continental Flag will be displayed daily on standards along Duke of Gloucester Street and other events and historic commemorations will be scheduled as a reminder of that fateful period in early American history. Without waiting for their Resolution for Independence to be acted upon by the Continental Congress, the Virginians meeting in Williamsburg in the spring of 1776 went ahead with a "Plan of Government" for the state and on June 12th enacted the history - making Virginia Declaration of Rights, the first bill of rights in this country and the basis for the first ten amendements of the Federal Constitution.

Other special events of the spring season in Williamsburg include the weekly performances of an 18th century comedy, "She Stoops to Conquer" by Oliver Goldssmith on Friday evenings until May 27th at the Reception Center here. At the colonial Palace, weekly Thursday evening candlelight concerts will feature music of the period performed by musicians in costume. The concerts will continue until May 12 with four additional concerts on Thursday evenings in April.

Nature puts on a fine spring show of its own in Williamsburg. The mile-long restored colonial area with its acres of 18th century gardens reaches its peak of spring bloom in late April and early May. Tulips provide impressive displays, particularly in the main beds of the Palace gardens, and dogwood, redbud and other flowering trees and shrubs brighten the landscape.There are daily walking tours through the gardens and during Historic Garden Week in Williamsburg, April 24-27, additonal private homes and gardens will be open to the public.

Also on the Williamsburg spring calendar is a Colonial Festival at the College of William and Mary on May 14th. Patterned after the 18th century St. George's Day fairs, the festival will include strolling madrigal groups, puppet shows and colonial contests. Also in May, Jamestown Day will be celebrated, at nearby Jamestown, commemorating the first permanent English settlement in America.

Springtime is one of the busiest seasons in the restored colonial city and advance reservations are usually necessary for accomodations, particularly in April. There are more facilities available this year and some 150 motel units are under construction at various points in and near Williamsburg at the present time. Requests for accomodations which cannot be handled by Williamsburg Inn and ... automatically transf... Room Registry Servi... iamsburg Chamber ... for booking in the ... guests houses and ... area.

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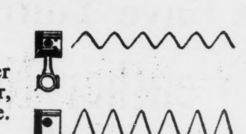

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PROSPECTS FOR EGGS AND BROILERS GOOD

"Good" is the forecast for egg pirces for the latter part of 1955, particularly for the last three or four months, say agricultural economists at VPI.

However, they foresee a slight dip in prices this month and next.

There were 2% more layers on farms March 1 as compared with a year ago, and the number of layers is likely to continue slightly above a year earlier for the next few months. The rate of lay per bird in the spring is expected to be about at 1954 levels. On the basis of 40c per dozen at the present time for large Grade A eggs, the April-May price will likely be 37c to 39c.

From December to January the hatching of egg-laying type chicks for flock replacements was far below a year earlier. This is consistent with farmers' intentions as of January 1 to buy 18% less repalcement chicks this year than last.

Farmers also plan to buy a smaller proportion of sexed pullets. By June, laying flock numbers are likely to reflect a reduction in the number of replacement chicks hatched in recent months. Any decline, however, in numbers of layers this summer likely will be partly offset by continued increased rates of lay. There was almost a 4% increase in the rate of lay per bird this February over last February.

The current price of broilers is very good, the economists say. Production cost has ranged from 20c to 23c a pound and price received by producers has ranged from 27c to 30c a pound. Therefore, profits above the cash cost of production are running above 25c per bird. It has been a long time since broiler growers could brag about making 25c per bird.

The only trouble now is that few producers have broilers. Undoubtedly, the economists say, prices are in for a considerable softening. By the end of April, Virginia producers likely will be receiving between 22 and 23½c a pound. There may be some strengthening of broiler prices during May, when prices may hover around the 23 to 24c mark.

Appomattox and Pamplin to have teams this season in the Patrick Henry Baseball League.

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SELF-HUNTING DOGS A MENACE TO GAME

The Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries' field staff has been making observations during the past several years on the effects of uncontrolled and self-hunting dogs in Virginia. From evidence and observations madé it is believed in some of the moutain counties the number of deer destroyed by self-hunting dogs is equal to or greater than the number killed by hunters.

It is well known that in some counties of the state the Commission has been unable to establish deer herds because of the great number of marauding dogs which destroy planted deer there before they are able to take hold. It is known too that these uncontrolled dogs destroy thousand of mature rabbits and untold numbers of young in the hutch.

Also recognized is the fact that many turkeys and quail planted from the state game farm are destroyed by dogs before they go wild enough to protect themselves. Likewise, the self-hunting dogs destroy a great number of ground nesting birds, especially quail, turkeys and grouse.

Clover Hill

Clover Hill, April 19.- The Rev. and Mrs. Randolph Hite, of Spout Springs were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hanenkrat.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole Arrington visited the Hanenkrat Sunday afternoon.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Covington were Mr. and Mrs. Otis Smith and two sons, Calvin and Robert, of Richmond; Mrs. W. L. Turnes and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coleman, of Vera. Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Coleman and Mrs. Covington attended the funeral Sunday afternoon at Buckingham C. H. of their cousin, Mrs. Louise Springer. Others attending from here were Mrs. Russell Conner and Mrs. Frank Hanenkrat.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Smith and family and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hancock and family, both of Richmond spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Torrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Hancock and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Torrence, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Torrence and son, and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Torrence and family were the dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Conner.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Smith were accompanied home by Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. W. L. Turnes, who will remain in Richmond until Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Thompson and three children, Robert, Richard and Mary Camm, of Shipman, and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Thompson and daughter, Cynthia, of Charlttesville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson had a reunion of their immediate family Sunday. Present besides Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson and children, Ralph Jr. and Diane, of Ashland; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Martin and daughter, Kitty of Spout Springs; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson Jr. and Harold and Garland Johnson. Also visiting the Johnsons in the afternoon were Mrs. Nettie Lawrence and family of Lynchburg.

Miss Margaret Johnson of Lynchburg visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Johnson, Sunday.

Mrs. T. R. Richardson, who was carried to the Virginia Baptist Hospital Thursday for treatment, has recovered sufficiently to be moved to the home of her son, Wiley Richardson of Lynchburg. Mrs. Richardson plans to return home Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Jessie Carwile, who is a patient at the same hospital also hopes to return home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson and grandaughter, Kitty Martin, spent last Thursday with Mrs. Hugh Bolton of Lynchburg.

Master David Hamilton is spending this week with Michael Torrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Ferguson were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Ferguson. Afternoon visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Leon Evelyn; Mr. and Mrs. Otie Whitlow; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deacon and daughter, Judy, and Mrs. Mertis Rush, all of Lynchburg.

Mrs. W. H. Conner is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. T. Draine, of Rocky Mount, N. C. this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne Inge had as their guests Sunday and Monday Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roach and daughter, Lynn, of Lynchburg.

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